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Lake County Sheriff's Office Hires Three Law Enforcement Executives

The Lake County Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce the hiring of three law enforcement executives.

Former Round Lake Beach Chief of Police David Hare was hired as Chief of Administration for the Lake County Sheriff's Office on September 12, 2016. David began his career with the Round Lake Beach Police Department in 1992. He held many responsibilities throughout his career with the Village of Round Lake Beach, working his way up through the law enforcement ranks. He was promoted to Chief of Police in 2014. David has also been an adjunct instructor at Northwestern University Center for Public Safety since 2006, where he instructs management level police administration courses.

In his new role as Chief of Administration, David will oversee all of the administrative divisions of the Lake County Sheriff's Office. These divisions include court security, warrants, civil process, records, community services, training, and judicial sales.

On August 1, 2016, Roy Garcia was hired as the Director of Homeland Security for the Lake County Sheriff's Office. Roy began his career in 1976 as a police officer for Calumet City. He spent most of his career, however, with the Illinois State Police, where he worked until 1998. In 1998, Roy was hired as the Chief of Police in the City of Sycamore, where he served until 2001. Roy also worked at O'Hare International Airport at the Transportation Safety Administration - Department of Homeland Security, and in 2010 he began working for the Illinois Terrorism Task Force.

The Lake County Sheriff's Office Homeland Security Unit is an integral part of the collaborative effort to protect life, property, and infrastructure from damage or destruction due to any terrorist attack or natural disaster.

James Elliot became the Director of the newly formed Office of Professional Standards in June of 2015. Over the past year, James has been building the Office of Professional Standards from the ground up.

James began his law enforcement career in 1983, as a police officer at the University of Illinois at Chicago, but spent most of his career working as a police administrator for the City of Evanston. He spent several years as an investigator in their office of professional standards before being promoted and overseeing their office of professional standards.

The Lake County Sheriff's Office Professional Standards Unit is responsible for investigating all complaints involving allegations of misconduct or unsatisfactory performance by members of the sheriff's office. Members conduct criminal or administrative investigations relative to respective allegations in a professional, objective, and expeditious manner, for prompt corrective action and to ensure the continued public trust in the Lake County Sheriff's Office. In addition, the Office of Professional Standards conducts inspections and audits of internal operations, policies, and procedures.

Sheriff Mark Curran said, "The Lake County Sheriff's Office is very fortunate to have these three experienced law enforcement executives onboard with us. We continue to 'raise the bar' at the Lake County Sheriff's Office on a daily basis, and there's no doubt David, Roy, and James will continue the tradition of raising the bar."

Undersheriff Ray Rose said, "Collectively, David, Roy, and James bring nearly 100 years of experience with them, and they are fitting right in with our administrative team. At the Lake County Sheriff's Office, we pride ourselves on integrity, respect, and professionalism. I am confident these three will represent our core values extremely well."

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